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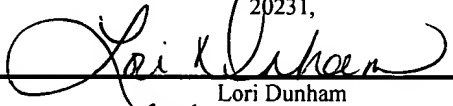
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-referenced patent application as follows:

In The Specification:

✓ Page 6, lines 22-25, please delete “, either by an applied radially outwardly directed force which plastically deforms the second structural elements, under inherent spring tension or as a result of shape memory properties of the stent material, or combinations thereof” and insert there for -- of the inventive endoluminal stent --.

✓ Page 6, line 30, please delete “plastic deformability,”.

✓ Page 7, lines 5, please delete “plastically deformable material” and insert therefore -- a spring biased material --.

Page 7, lines 6-7, please delete “, or of a spring biased material, such as stainless steel”.

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Small Entity)

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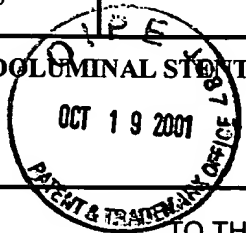
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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☒ Small Entity status of this application has been established under 37 CFR 1.27 by a verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ A verified statement to establish Small Entity status under 37 FR 1.27 is enclosed.

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